Public Notice Concerning Missouri's Gateway to Better Health Section 1115 Demonstration Project Number: 11-W-00250/7

The State of Missouri, Department of Social Services (DSS), hereby notifies the public it is considering requesting a one-year extension of the Gateway to Better Health Demonstration, which is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2017. A copy of the demonstration extension application under consideration may be found at http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/. We are providing this notice pursuant to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements in 42 C.F.R. 431.408.

The Gateway to Better Health Demonstration is designed to provide coverage to low-income adults residing in St. Louis City and St. Louis County who do not qualify for Medicaid. The State is considering requesting the authority to continue funding expenditures for primary and specialty care services provided to uninsured individuals, ages 19 through 64, with family incomes between 0 and 100 percent of the Federal poverty level (FPL). Should the State opt to expand Medicaid during the extension period, the Demonstration will terminate.

Public Comments and Hearings

The public is invited to review and comment on the State's proposed waiver extension request. The full public notice document for the Gateway to Better Health Waiver extension request can be found at http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/ under Alerts and Notifications. Appointments may be made to view a hard copy of the full public notice document, as well as a draft of the extension application, by calling 314-446-6454, ext. 1011. Appointments may be made during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Appointments to view the documents will take place at 1113 Mississippi Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63104.

Written comments will be accepted through October 26, 2016. Comments may be sent to:

Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division Attention: Gateway Comments P.O. Box 6500 Jefferson City, MO 65102-6500 Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov

Public hearings are scheduled for:

Monday, October 3, 2016, 9-10AM* St. Louis County Department of Public Health 6121 N. Hanley Road Berkley, MO 63134

Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 3:30-4:30PM*
Forest Park Visitor and Education Center, Voyagers Room
595 Grand Drive St. Louis, MO 63112

*Individuals wanting to participate in the public hearing via conference call may dial 888-808-6929, access code: 9158702.